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SUBJ: MEDIA REACTION TO SECSTATE KISSINGER'S BIRMINGHAM SPEECH

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AUG 18 MORNING PRESS QUOTED EDITORIALS ON SECRETARY KISSINGER'S  
REMARKS ABOUT PORTUGAL IN BIRMINGHAM FROM NEW YORK TIMES, LONDON  
MORNING STAR AND TASS GIVING PROMINENT FIRST PLAY TO NYTIMES  
DESCRIPTION OF TALK AS "JUST THE RIGHT MEASURE OF PSYCHOLOGICAL  
SUPPORT FOR PORTUGUESE DEMOCRATIC FORCES"...BUT "A LATE SHOW OF  
ENCOURAGEMENT." NYTIMES EDITORIAL EXCERPTS MENTIONED IN DIARIO DE  
NOTICIAS (DN) AND SECULO FOLLOW: "AFTER HAVING LONG ACCEPTED  
SEIZURE OF POWER BY COMMUNISTS AS INEVITABLE, SECSTATE KISSINGER  
FINALLY PUT U.S. POLICY ON MORE CONSTRUCTIVE PATH... AND "A  
GREAT DEAL OF CREDIT MUST BE GIVEN TO THE ENERGETIC U.S.  
AMBASSADOR FRANK CARLUCCI WHO FROM THE VERY BEGINNING SENT  
REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS WHICH DID AWAY WITH FATALISTIC AND  
PRECONCEIVED NOTIONS IN WASHINGTON." BOTH PAPERS GAVE SECONDARY  
PLAY SAME ARTICLES TO LONDON MORNING STAR'S COMMENTS LIKENING  
SECRETARY'S ATTITUDE TOWARD PORTUGAL TO U.S. POLICY IN VIETNAM  
AND CHILE AND TASS' TELEGRAM STATING THAT "ALTHOUGH SECSTATE  
KISSINGER PROVIDED AN AMERICAN VERSION OF THE FACTS," HE RECOG-  
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NIZED THAT EVENTS IN PORTUGAL ARE RESULT OF PORT. HISTORICAL

EVOLUTION." PAPERS NOTED THAT TASS DID NOT MENTION WARNING TO  
SOVIETS REGARDINT INTERFERENCE IN PORTUGAL.  
CARLUCCI

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